



City of Hermosa Beach

Civic Center, 1315 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach, California 90254-3885

June 25, 2019

Dear Mr. Higgins,

This correspondence is in response to your June 17, 2019, Public Records Act ("PRA") request. As an overall issue, please remember that your requests must be focused, specific, and reasonably clear, so the City can decipher what identifiable records are being sought. Requests that simply provide search terms or list overly broad categories of documents are improper. Below is the City's response:

Request (1)

This request, which seeks records that were "originated by me," is vague and it is unclear what records you are actually seeking. Please clarify and specifically describe the identifiable records you seek.

Requests (2) – (4)

These requests are essentially just search terms and do not seek specifically identifiable records. For example, Request (2) seeks records related to "truck route safety, noise, vibration or the associated quality of life impacts to residents of Hermosa Beach." This kind of request does not permit the City to decipher what actual identifiable records you are seeking.

These requests also seek overly broad categories of records that leaves the City guessing as to what specifically identifiable records you seek. These overly broad requests also improperly require the City to search and review an enormous volume of data. For example, part of Request 4 seeks "records shedding light on why the 27th collector road that is meant to service only truck traffic in NW Hermosa is now commonly used by trucks to access the downtown business district; without the consequent safety, noise, vibration quality of life or property rights studies afforded under CEQA." These kinds of requests are unintelligible as to what specifically identifiable records you are seeking and would subject the City to searching and reviewing an unreasonably voluminous amount of records.

As such, please clarify, narrow, and specifically describe the identifiable records you seek for each request.



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Request (5)

The City is currently searching for any enforcement records related to improper commercial truck usage on 27th St. and Gould Ave. However, your request for records relating to a “lack of enforcement” is vague and does not specifically identify what records are being sought. Once you have sufficiently clarified your requests so that the City can decipher what identifiable records are being sought, and narrow your overly broad requests, we will search and review records that may be responsive to your requests.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tanesha Hudson'.

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